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In re-application of:

David MACK, et al.

Appl. No. 09/733,756

Filed: December 8, 2000

For: **NOVEL METHODS FOR**

DIAGNOSIS AND PROGNOSIS EVALUATION OF COLORECTAL CANCER AND/OR BREAST

CANCER

Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Goldberg, Jeanine Anne

Atty. Docket: 05882.0195.CPUS03

Confirmation No. 2798

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22213-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated **December 24, 2003**, and is submitted on or before the extended due date of **April 24, 2003**. A constructive petition for a one-month extension of time under 1.136(a)(3) and its requisite fee of \$110.00 under 1.17(a) is authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 05882.0195.CPUS03.

If additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby constructively petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 05882.0195.CPUS03.

The Examiner is requested to enter the amendments and consider the application.

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